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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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10 INVENTION: "PRINTING DEVICE AND METHOD, IN WHICH A  
HUMIDITY PROMOTER IS APPLIED PRIOR TO THE  
INK-REPELLENT OR INK-RECEPTIVE LAYER"

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Sir:

20 As a Preliminary Amendment to entry into the National Stage for the  
above-identified PCT application, the following is submitted: